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“SEE A FILM, MEET THE PROFESSOR”

September 19: The Central Park Five with Prof Price
7:30 pm in EB 110

From award-winning filmmaker Ken Burns: In 1989, five black and Latino teenagers were arrested and charged with brutally attacking and raping a white female jogger in Central Park. News media swarmed the case, calling them a "wolfpack." The five would spend years in prison for a crime they didn’t commit before the truth about what really happened became clear. This incendiary film tells the riveting tale of innocent young men scapegoated for a heinous crime, and serves as a mirror for our times.

October 23: La Haine (2007, 96 mins) with Prof Bill Martin
7:30 pm in EB 110

The film follows three young men and their time spent in the French suburban "ghetto," over a span of twenty-four hours. Vinz, a Jew, Said, an Arab, and Hubert, a black boxer, have grown up in these French suburbs where high levels of diversity coupled with the racist and oppressive police force have raised tensions to a critical breaking point. During the riots that took place a night before, a police officer lost his handgun in the ensuing madness, only to leave it for Vinz to find. Vinz vows to kill a cop.....

November 13: Battle of Algiers (1967, 120mins) with Prof Kelvin Santiago
7:30 pm in EB 110

One of the most influential political films in history, The Battle of Algiers, by Gillo Pontecorvo, vividly re-creates a key year in the tumultuous Algerian struggle for independence from the occupying French in the 1950s. The film has been critically celebrated and often taken, by insurgent groups and states alike, as an important commentary on urban guerilla warfare